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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM IR  
SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS: 317 PRISONERS PARDONED, INCLUDING 66  
"ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS

1. ON 28TH ANNIVERSARY OF 1949 ATTEMPT ON SHAH'S LIFE AT  
TEHRAN UNIVERSITY, 317 PRISONERS TRIED BY MILITARY TRIBUNAL  
WERE RELEASED. INCLUDED IN GROUP WERE 66 "ANTI-SECURITY"  
PRISONERS CONVICTED FOR SUCH CRIMES AS TERRORISM AND  
COMMUNIST ACTIVITY. GROUP OF 66 HELD CEREMONY FEB 3 TO  
DEMONSTRATE THEIR GRATITUDE TO SHAH FOR RELEASE, WHICH  
ACCORDING TO PRESS, CAME IN RESPONSE TO PRISONER PETITIONS.

2. LEADER OF GROUP, WHO SPOKE AT CEREMONY, WAS MANOUCHEHR  
MOQADDAM SALIMI, WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN INVOLVED IN TWO  
ATTEMPTS ON SHAH'S LIFE. HE THANKED SHAH FOR HIS KINDNESS,  
SPOKE OF SHAME GROUP FELT, AND SAID GROUP WAS ESPECIALLY  
GRATEFUL FOR CHANCE TO WORK ALONGSIDE COMPATRIOTS TO BUILD  
NATION. ALL DENIED THEY HAD EVER BEEN TORTURED DURING  
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INTERROGATION. INCLUDED IN GROUP WERE THREE PERSONS INVOLVED  
IN 1965 ASSASSINATION OF PRINCE MANSOUR, ONE CONVICTED OF  
HAVING PLOTTED TO ASSASSINATE THE EMPRESS AND THE CROWN  
PRINCE. SEVEN WOMEN AND THREE FORMER THEOLOGIANS WERE  
RELEASED. COMPLETE LIST OF NAMES AS REPORTED BY OFFICIAL  
RESURGENCE PARTY NEWSPAPER RASTAKHIZ GIVEN IN PARA 4 BELOW.

3. KEYHAN ENGLISH EDITION ALSO CARRIED PARAGRAPH SAYING AN ADDITIONAL 85 PRISONERS IN JAIL FOR VIOLATING NATIONAL SECURITY LAWS HAD BEEN SET FREE IN EARLIER AMNESTIES HONORING PAHLAVI DYNASTY'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY. (COMMENT: WHILE EMBASSY DOUBTS ANY REALLY DANGEROUS PRISONERS WERE RELEASED, GOI'S DECISION TO SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFY PRISONERS BY NAME AND TYPE OF SENTENCE IS NEW DEPARTURE.)

4. FOLLOWING IS LIST OF THOSE RELEASED AND SENTENCES.

MOHAMMAD MEHDI EBRAHIM-ERAQI - LIFE IMPRISONMENT  
HABIBOLLAH ASGAR-OWLADI - LIFE IMPRISONMENT  
MANUCHEHR MOQADAM-SALIMI - 15 YRS OF 1ST DEGREE CRIMINAL IMPRISONMENT  
AHMAD OWLAD-AZAMI QADIKOLA'I - 15 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP.  
MOHAMMADABAQER MOHIEDDIN-ANVARI - 15 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP.  
ZAFARAQOIL REZA'I -12 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
HUSHANG JAMSHIDABADI 11 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
ALI-ASGHAR SARVARI - 11 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD BEIGZADI - 10 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
IMAN-ALI PASDAR - 10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. ZOHREH REZA'I 10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
RAHMATOLLAH JAMSHIDI -10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-HOSSEIN VALIZADEH-JOJEZI -10 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MAHMUD SHAHSAVANDI - 10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. KOBRA NIKBAKHT - 10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MAHMUD REZA'I-ABBASI - 10 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MAHMUD NAJAFZADEH-NAMEQI - 10 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD ALLAHVERDI - 9 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
ALI-AKBAR VASEFI - 8 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
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RAHIM AKHLAQIPUR-MAHRAM - 8 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
-4 -), \*-))-# #9"-5-ANSARI 8 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-JAFAR TAHERI - 6 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-REZA TAVAKKOLI - 6 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
SHIDROKH SEDAQATIAN - 6 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. ZAHRA MOHAMMAD-NADERKHANI - 5 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-HADI RUHOL-AMIN 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
QODRATOLLAH AGHA-ALIJAN - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
QORBAN-ALI AHYA - 5 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. ZAHRA KARIMI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. ZAHRA ZAMAN - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
YADOLLAH ETEMADI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
ABBAS SHAHABEDDINI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MEHDI KARROUBI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD KHALILI - 4 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
TAHA YAGHUBI - 4 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
SYED-QOLAM-HOSSEIN REZVANI - 4 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-RABI ESLAMIYEH - 4 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
ALI-AHAM EIDI (ABDI?) - 4 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP

BAYRAM CHUPANI - 4 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOSAYYEB HESSAM - 3 YRS FELONY IMPRISONMENT  
MOHAMMAD-REZA RAHIMZADEH - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
GHOLAM-REZA MOSADDEGH-RASHIT - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
ASADOLLAH OWLAD-AZAMI - 3 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
HOSSEIN REZA(I - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
HAMID HESSAI - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MEHDI MALEKOLKOTTAB - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD-REZA NOWRUZIAN - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
DAVUD BEHAMIN - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
HASSAN RASHTCHIAN - 3 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
SYED-ALAEDDIN PIR-KHEZRI - 2 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
MS. NUR-OS-SADAT VAHID-QARAVI - 2 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
SEYED-MEHDI HOSSEINI - 2 YRS FELONY IMPRISONMENT  
ABBAS SARSOPOL - 2 YRS FLN IMP  
SIRUS RASSA - 2 YRS FLN IMP  
GHOLAM-ABBAS AREF-AKHAR - 2 YRS FLN IMP  
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MS. ARIDEH GORJANI - 1 YR FLN IMP  
BEHRUZ KAFAT-ZENDEDEL - 15 YRS 1ST DEGR CRIM IMP  
MOHAMMAD NOWRUZI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
NAJI ENAYAT-ZAMAN-SAMGHABADI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
BEHZAD MOHAZZEBI - 5 YRS 2ND DEGR CRIM IMP  
(EX CONSCRIPT 2ND LT.) ALI-JAFAR RASHIDI 5 YRS 2ND DEGR  
CRIM IMP.  
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